Health for underprivileged by 2000 A.D.

1559. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Health Policy 1983 gives commitment to the goal of "Health for under privileged by 2000 AD";

(b) if so, the percentage of underprivileged population that has been provided with comprehensive primary health care as on March, 2001;

(c) the percentage of the total population; and

(d) the percentage of the total number of mentally retarded and physically disabled persons in the country who have been rehabilitated as envisaged in para (vii) of the policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) "Health for All" by 2000 AD was the overall goal of National Health Policy 1983. No separate information regarding under privileged patients or otherwise is maintained at primary health care level.

(d) Although various initiatives have been taken for rehabilitation of the mentally retarded and physically disabled no estimates of the numbers rehabilitated are available.

Fake medicines

1560. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that fake medicines have been detected in Delhi and other parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to unearth entire fake medicines and initiate positive action against the illicit manufacturers and traders of fake drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes. Sir. Spurious/fake medicines have been detected by the State Licensing Authorities in Delhi and other parts of the country.